



THE REPRESENTATIVE
OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
TO THE
UNITED NATIONS

October 28, 1962

Dear Mr. Secretary General:

In reply to your letter of October 28 to President Kennedy, he has authorized me to confirm your understanding of the lines on which a satisfactory solution of the present Cuban situation could be reached.

Accordingly, you are authorized to convey to the Cuban authorities the assurances contained in President Kennedy's letter of October 27 to Chairman Khrushchev.

It is the President's hope that a solution will serve as a basis for the achievement of enduring peace in the Caribbean area.

Sincerely yours,

Adlai E. Stevenson
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His Excellency
U Thant,
Acting Secretary General
of the United Nations.

October 26, 1962
6:30 p.m.

LETTER FROM PRESIDENT KENNEDY TO SECRETARY-GENERAL

Delivered by Amb. Stevenson 10/28.

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Accordingly you are authorized to convey to the Cuban authorities the assurances contained in President Kennedy's letter of October 27, to Chairman Khrushchev.

It is the President's hope that a solution will serve as a basis for the achievement of enduring peace in the Caribbean area.

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(cleared directly with President by A.E.S.)

DEPARTMENT OF STATE /CNC/MR

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Oct 28

Dear Mr. Secretary General:

President Kennedy has authorized me, in reply to your letter of October 28, to inform you that your understanding of the lines on which a satisfactory solution of this problem could be reached is correct.

authorizes me to say that you may

~~The President was very happy to assure you~~ convey to the Cuban

authorities the assurance contained in his letter to Chairman
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~~Khrushchev, namely~~ that upon the establishment of adequate arrangements to ensure the carrying out of the objectives

mentioned as the first condition in his letter, to Chairman

~~Khrushchev of October 27, that is the removal of these weapons~~

systems from Cuba under appropriate UN observation and

supervision of and the halting with suitable safeguards of

the further introduction of such weapons systems into Cuba

the United States Government would remove promptly the quarantine

~~which is now in effect~~ and all other measures against the

~~invocation of Title II of the Arms Control and Disarmament Act of 1968~~

~~and the right of the United States to demand its joint~~

order of business, and inform you how your understanding of
the lines on which a satisfactory solution of this problem could
be reached in general.

The President would like to have you convey to the Cuban
authorities the assurance contained in his letter to Chairman

Admiral ~~Khrushchev~~^{and} that upon the establishment of adequate
arrangements to ensure the carrying out of the objectives
mentioned as the first condition in his letter to Chairman
~~Khrushchev~~^{and}, that is the removal of those weapons
systems from Cuba under appropriate UN observation and
supervision of and the halting with suitable safeguards of
the further introduction of such weapon systems into Cuba
the United States Government would remove promptly the quarantine

measures now in effect, and also give assurances against the
invasion of Cuba, in which ~~the~~^{the} confident other nations of the
Western Hemisphere would be invited to join.

It is the President's hope that this will serve as a basis
for further talks in the Caribbean.